CLAIMS

1. A signal processing system comprising:

first means for distributing an input signal between two or more channels in a

5 current mode of operation;

second means disposed in each of said channels for processing said input signal and providing an output signal in response thereto;

third means for combining the signals output by said processing means; and fourth means for controlling said first and said third means.

- 2. The invention of Claim 1 further including a radio frequency stage for downconverting a received signal and providing said input signal in response thereto.
- 3. The invention of Claim 1 wherein said first means includes a mixing circuit.
- 4. The invention of Claim 3 wherein said mixing circuit further includes means for providing automatic gain control for each of said channels individually.
- 5. The invention of Claim 4 wherein said means for providing automatic gain control operates in a current mode.
- 6. The invention of Claim 5 wherein said means for providing automatic gain control includes a digital automatic gain control circuit.
- 7. The invention of Claim 6 further including means for selectively providing differential digital automatic gain control signals in response to a channel select signal.
- 8. The invention of Claim 3 wherein said mixing circuit further includes means for mixing said input signal with a mixing signal.

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- 9. The invention of Claim 8 wherein said mixing circuit operates in a current mode.
- 10. The invention of Claim 9 wherein said mixing circuit further includes means for mixing said input signal with plural mixing signals.
- one Gilbert cell.

 The invention of Claim 10 wherein said mixing circuit includes at least
 - 12. The invention of Claim 11 wherein said mixing circuit includes a transconductance amplifier.
 - 13. The invention of Claim 12 wherein said mixing circuit includes an automatic gain control circuit.
 - 14. The invention of Claim 1 wherein said second means includes first and second filters disposed in a first and a second of said channels respectively.

15. A receiver comprising:

a radio frequency stage for downconverting a received signal and providing said input signal in response thereto;

first means for distributing said input signal between two or more channels in a current mode of operation, said first means including a mixing circuit having

a Gilbert cell for each channel,

an automatic gain control circuit for each channel in communication with a respective one of said Gilbert cells, and

a transconductance amplifier in communication with said automatic gain control circuits;

second means disposed in each of said channels for processing said input signal and providing an output signal in response thereto, second means including first and second filters disposed in a first and a second of said channels respectively;

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third means for combining the signals output by said processing means; and fourth means for controlling said first and said third means.

16. A signal processing method comprising the steps of:
distributing an input signal between two or more channels in a current mode of operation;

processing said input signal and providing an output signal in response thereto; combining the signals output by said processing means; and controlling said first and said third means.

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